

Hudson Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.
Regular Business Meeting
January 8th, 2018

Members present: Jeff Barker, Jeff Burns, Trey Burton, Michael Clemens, Rachel Elliott, Marcial Foisie, Travis Kirtley, Mark Loose, Frankie Ornduff, Jacob Pouland, Caleb Ramsey, Shawn Ramsey, Brian Smith, Jacob Smith, Mike Stephens, Jerry, Swearingen, Willie Thomas, Michael Vinther

Explorers present: Troy Gomez, Jake Sperry, David Timmons

Applicants present: None

- Meeting Called to order by Vice President Frankie Ornduff @ 7:00 PM
- Pledge to the American and Texas Flags
- Moment of silence for the fallen brothers and sisters
- Motion by Chief Foisie, to accept the December minutes as written, 2nd by Travis Kirtley (MPU)
- Motion by Chief Foisie to accept treasures report, 2nd by Travis Kirtley (MPU)

Apparatus:

1. Chief Foisie – Still in discussion with Ferrara’s, wants us to make them an offer on the Ladder Truck that was here. Jeff Barker made them an offer and we are still waiting to hear back.
2. Chief Foisie – We need to get all the trucks up to date and running correctly. We need to do a better job on keeping up the maintenance.
3. Chief Foisie- Tanker 1 was leaking due to a corroded pipe. He is going to have someone look at it by the end of the week.
4. Chief Foisie- all trucks that have foam, need to be flushed.
5. Chief Foisie- the new flashlights are in and need to be mounted on the trucks.

Equipment:

1. Chief Foisie - We need to consider buying some new 1 3/4 hoses. A motion was made by Asst. Chief Ramsey to put back \$500 a month toward the purchase of the new hose. Motion was seconded by Michael Vinther. (MCU)
2. Jacob Smith – The TIC should be here in the next couple of days and should be charging correctly now.
3. VP Ornduff- There are some that still have not gotten with me about new glasses. Please do so as soon as possible.
4. Cameron – We need new chains for the chainsaws, preferably some that will last this time. There was also some general discussion on getting all the saws the same. Shawn will look into this and see what he can come up with.

Station / Grounds:

1. Jacob Smith – the upstairs needs to be put on hold until we get everything else in order.

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Financials:

1. Jacob Smith – All purchases over the amount of \$250 need to be voted on.
2. Jacob Smith – Please make sure that all your receipts get turned in, especially when using the debit card. If this is not done, you could be held liable.
3. Brian Smith – We should be finalizing the land in the next couple of weeks.

Applicants:

1. None

SAR:

1. Christy Hall presented a new list of members and new waivers to the department, from the SAR team.

Operations:

1. Jeff Barker- Don't forget about the training on January 19th through the 21st. He would like to have a workday to finish cleaning up around the training facility. If you can help meet at Station 1, Saturday at 7:30 am. Also, we need approval to feed everyone Friday night. The price is \$10.00 per plate and it should cost around \$1000.00 to feed everyone. The money should come out of the training fund for the event. After some discussion, a motion was made by Asst. Chief Caleb Ramsey to spend up to \$2500.00 on food. 2nd by Jeff Burns. (MCU)
2. Jeff Barker – Wants to buy a plaque to honor EJ. Motion made by Jeff Barker, 2nd by Mike Stephens. (MCU)
3. Asst. Chief Ramsey – Radio protocol; we only need one person to report in, it is helpful to say in route on group me but if you are not going to be able to attend the call, please reframe from posting that you cannot make it. There is too much unnecessary chatter going on.
4. Asst. Chief Ramsey – We are having to many POV's on scene. If you pass the station on the way to the scene, then stop at the station and take a truck or ride on a truck.
5. Asst. Chief Ramsey – members are not to leave a call early, unless approved by the Chief. If you leave early or do not go back to the station to help rehab, then you will not get credit for the call.
6. Chief Foisie – Role the trucks that need to be taken, please do not all pile into one truck.
7. Travis Kirtley – when first arriving on a scene, please be more thorough on your scene size up.

Other:

1. Chief Foisie- Next time you log into Emergency Fire Reporting, please be sure to update your password.

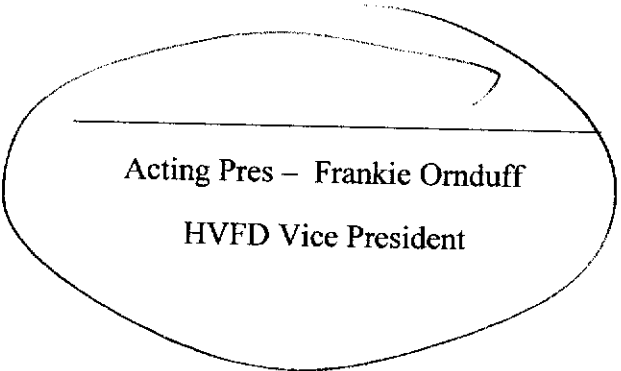
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2. Chief Foisie – the fire department needs to create a policy for seizure of vehicles and boats for emergency use. This will allow for a creation of a document when we use someone else's equipment,
3. President Smith – By Law Change- Replace Article VII Section 2 and 3 with a new by law that defines the terms of leave of absences from the department. It also defines the requirements to maintain a membership in the department. Se the attached bylaw for more details.
 - a. A vote by ballot was taken; 14 for the change, 1 against, 1 obtain. The bylaw passed.
4. Jeff Barker- There has been 6 line of duty deaths in the last 8 months, in our area. He would like to see us come up with some guidelines for current, past and retired members.
5. Willie Thomas – The Bike Fundraiser went well.
6. Brian Smith – Trail of Lights was a success, we ended up making a little over \$750.00.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Travis Kirtley, 2nd by Jacob Poulard, meeting adjourned @ 8:24 PM.

Immediately after adjournment, the donation hat was passed around the room for donations to the flower fund.

Brian Smith – HVFD Secretary



Acting Pres – Frankie Ornduff
HVFD Vice President